

SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 16, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)



✠ MASS SCHEDULE ✠

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM ✠ Latin Mass [1962 Missal]

10:30 AM ✠ Sung Parish Mass

MONDAY through SATURDAY

posted weekly inside bulletin

✠ DIVINE OFFICE ✠

SUNDAYS

5:00 PM ✠ Sung Latin Vespers
[1962 Antiphonale]

✠ SACRAMENTS ✠

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 9:45-10:45 AM ✠ Sundays, 9:00-10:00 AM

Wednesdays, 6:00-6:30 PM ✠ Thursday, 6:00-6:45 PM

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Pastor. Wedding dates will be set
after beginning marriage preparation with the priest.

INFANT BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office
or see one of the priests after Mass.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastor	Rev. Eric Andersen eandersen@archdpdx.org
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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Parish Office will be closed from
Monday, Dec. 24th to Wednesday, Dec. 26th, 2018.

MASS READINGS

(Ordinary Form)

Monday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10 / Mt 1:1-17
Tuesday:	Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25
Wednesday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a / Lk 1:5-25
Thursday:	Is 7:10-14 / Lk 1:26-38
Friday:	Sg 2:8-14 / Lk 1:39-45
Saturday:	1 Sm 1:24-28 / Lk 1:46-46

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	9:00 am	CCD in rectory classrooms
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal in choir loft
	12:30 pm	Special Reception with Archbishop Sample in gym
	5:45 pm	Advent Potluck in rectory basement and Caroling at Peacock Lane
Thursday	7:00 pm	Philosophy Night in rectory basement (RCIA attends)
Sunday	9:00 am	No CCD (Christmas Break)
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal in choir loft
	11:30 am	Coffee & donuts in gym

OFFERTORY REPORT

	December 9	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$6,406.62	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$2,100.00	
Total	\$8,506.62	\$102,413.95
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$117,600.00
Budget +/-	+\$3,706.62	-\$15,186.05

MASSES IN CHAPEL THIS WEEK

This coming week Dec 17-21st, the daily Masses will be celebrated in the side chapel while some work is done in the church. One may enter directly through the side door on Salmon Street.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 16

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (Urban Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus)
9:00-9:30 am	Confessions (Ending early this Sunday)
10:30 am	Pontifical Solemn Latin Mass at the Throne (1962 Missal) (People of the Parish)
4:00-4:45 pm	Confessions
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Antiphonale - <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>)

Monday, December 17

Advent Weekday

6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Greater Feria of Advent</i>)
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Tuesday, December 18

Advent Weekday

7:00 am	Mass (Julie Steiner)
11-11:45 am	Confessions
Noon	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Greater Feria of Advent</i>) (Tonyalynne Wildhaber)

Wednesday, December 19

Advent Weekday

7:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Ember Wednesday of Advent</i>) (Doris Nyland)
5:30-6:30 pm	Confessions
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Ember Wednesday of Advent</i>) (+Greg Haslett)

Thursday, December 20

Advent Weekday

7:00 am	Mass
5:45-6:45 pm	Confessions

Friday, December 21

Saint Thomas, Apostle

7:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>St. Thomas, Apostle w/ comm. Ember Friday of Advent</i>) (+Max Francois)
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Saturday, December 22

Advent Weekday

7:00 am	Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Rorate Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>)
8:00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Ember Saturday of Advent</i>) (+Verona Hoffman)

9:30-10:45 am Confessions

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Rorate Sunday</i>) (People of the Parish)
9:00-10:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Sung Mass (Bernard Untalan)
4:00-4:45 pm	Confessions (Last chance before Christmas)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Antiphonale - <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. ERIC ANDERSEN

This Sunday, we receive at our parish a successor to the Apostles, the Shepherd of St. Stephen's and every parish in Western Oregon: His Excellency the Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample, Archbishop of Portland in Oregon. To witness the ceremonies of the traditional Roman Rite at this Pontifical Solemn Mass at the Throne, one might notice that there is a royal and even imperial ethos to the whole liturgy. We are not accustomed to royal court ceremony in our country. There is certainly court ceremony in the official protocols that are carried out in our government, especially if you have ever visited the White House in Washington DC. These civic ceremonies are derived from royal ceremonies, but modified to the political philosophy of our country.

It follows then that in order to fully understand the elaborate ceremonies of a traditional Roman Pontifical Mass at the Throne, one must comprehend that there is a political philosophy which flows from the celestial hierarchy and the protocols carried out before the Throne of the Most High GOD in heaven. In the traditional blessing of holy water, JESUS CHRIST is invoked as the KING of an unconquerable Empire; ergo the imperial ethos of this Mass.

You will notice that the archbishop's throne is situated on the opposite side of the sanctuary from the priest's chair. The ambo has been moved to make way for the throne. Around the throne are situated various chaplains of the hand candle, the book, the gremial (a silk cloth to cover the lap of the bishop while seated), the miter and crozier, two assistant deacons, and an assistant priest wearing a cope. Also in attendance is a Master of Ceremonies assigned to attend to all that happens before the throne. In all, there are nine chaplains around the throne, attending the Archbishop. This assembly is akin to a vision of the nine choirs of angels who assist before the throne of the Most High GOD in heaven.

Remember that whatever deference is made to the archbishop, to any bishop, or priest, is a sign of respect not so much to the man who holds the office, but to the office itself. The office of archbishop confers a dignity that transcends the man who holds the office. Therefore, when we witness a man receiving veneration, we must remember that it is JESUS CHRIST, the KING of an unconquerable empire, who is being venerated through the office of the bishop who sits upon the throne. The throne belongs to JESUS CHRIST. Who would dare to sit upon this siege perilous for fear of being struck down dead! It is only by the consecration a man receives conforming him to the High Priest JESUS CHRIST, that a bishop may sit upon this throne - still with fear and trembling - but with confidence that JESUS CHRIST is the KING, the ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, GOD INCARNATE. Let us lavish JESUS CHRIST with all honor, glory, and thanksgiving upon His Heavenly Throne, and let us venerate our beloved Archbishop who has taken up the Cross of CHRIST for the sake of the flock. Let us pray for him that with divine fortitude, he may courageously lead us in truth and divine love along the Way of JESUS CHRIST.

SPECIAL RECEPTION WITH ARCHBISHOP SAMPLE AFTER THE 10:30 MASS TODAY

SUNG VESPERS: THIS SUNDAY EVENING

Join us **this Sunday at 5:00 pm** as we offer Vespers, the Church's ancient prayer for early evening, using the Latin-texted Roman Breviary of 1962. Come and sing the psalms with us, or just listen and pray along with the words and melodies which have nourished the saints and praised God for millennia. We provide booklets with all the chants, texts, and side-by-side English translations.

FINAL ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT

Tonight, December 16th

This Advent, we continue to watch and prepare for the coming of Christ by getting together on this Sunday evening for prayer, food and fun. Join us at 5 pm for Sung Vespers in the Church followed by a potluck dinner and Caroling at Peacock Lane. **Save the date for our New Year's Eve Family Game Night on December 31st.**

READING THE SAINTS ON MONDAYS!

Want to know more about St. Catherine of Siena? Join us to read and discuss **The Dialogue of St. Catherine of Siena**. (TAN Classic, 2010). No time to order the book? No problem, we read it together and can share. **Location:** Tabor Bread @ 5051 SE Hawthorne Blvd. **Time:** Mondays @ 10:30 am.

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT

"The Fullness of Time" on Thursday, December 20th
St. Bonaventure writes: "though God could have been incarnate from the beginning, He was unwilling to do so except at the end of ages, after the law of nature and the law of prophecy had gone before, after patriarchs and prophets to whom and through whom the Incarnation was often promised. After these it was proper for Him to become incarnate in the end of time and the fullness thereof" (Breviloquium, IV, IV, 1). Come and find out more. Fr. Eric Andersen will lead the discussion. No reading required ahead of time. Ages: High School and up. Snacks provided. Confessions in the church 6-6:45 pm. Discussion from 7-9 pm in the Rectory Basement.

ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES THIS COMING WEEK

During the Advent season, Fr. Andersen has expanded the Confession times in effort to make sure everyone can make a good confession before Christmas. The Confession schedule is as follows **through Sunday, Dec 23rd.**

Sundays: 9-10 am; 4-4:45 pm.
Tuesdays: 11-11:45 am
Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30 pm
Thursdays: 5:45-6:45 pm
Saturday: 10-11 am

INQUIRING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Adults and teens who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith are invited to join Fr. Andersen for a weekly class. Thursday, 10 am and 7 pm. Choose either class time. At the beginning of each class, we will meet in the church for a short ongoing.

Dec 20th: Philosophy Night: The Fullness of Time
Dec. 27th: No Class - Christmas Break
Jan. 3rd: No Class - Christmas Break

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018

Monday, Dec 24th - Christmas Eve

5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Christmas in English
11:15 pm Carols, Christmas Proclamation, and Blessing of the Crib
12:00 am Midnight Traditional Latin High Mass (Tuesday, Dec 25th)

Tuesday, Dec 25th - Christmas Day

8:00 am Traditional Latin Low Mass
10:30 am Sung Mass

Wednesday, Dec 26th - Feast of St. Stephen

Noon Sung Traditional Latin Mass

Monday, December 31st - New Year's Eve

5:00 pm Holy Hour with Sung Latin Vespers and *Te Deum* followed by a potluck and Game Night in the Rectory Basement

Tuesday, January 1st - New Years Day

(*Holy Day of Obligation*)
10:30 am Traditional Sung Latin Mass

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the Jan 2019 program beginning with a weekend on **Jan 18-20** call 503-225-9191 or 800-470-2230 or email: portland@retrouvaille.org or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

REGINA CAELI ACADEMY

2019 Upcoming Admissions Events

Join our exciting mission to form the next generation of Catholics! Regina Caeli Academy provides a classical, hybrid education in the Catholic tradition. Pre K3-12th grade students attend Socratic, hands-on classes two days a week and homeschool on the remaining days. Mark your calendar for our upcoming events:

January Open House: Mon, Jan 21 at 10:30 am Event includes a tour, classroom observation, and Q&A; children welcome!

High School Information Session: Mon, Jan 21 at 12pm You CAN homeschool high school! Event includes a short presentation and Q&A; children welcome!

RSVP to raldrich.por@rcahybrid.org or call (971) 238-9249 2710 N.E. 65th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98661 (Located inside First Friends Church) www.rcahybrid.org

PRINCIPAL/TEACHER OPENINGS

The Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon is seeking applicants for anticipated principal openings and anticipated teacher opening in its Catholic schools for the 2019-2020 school year. Information about the openings as well as application materials and directions can be found at this link: <https://schools.archdpdx.org/principal-position-vacancies>, or by calling 503- 233-8348.

PILGRIMAGE TO SOUTHERN FRANCE

with Fr. Eric Andersen Sept 12-22, 2019

\$4,150 per person (ground and air from Portland); \$2,550 per person (ground only) Visit shrines at Lourdes, Avignon, Marseille, Nice, Monaco, more. We also visit the grotto of St. Mary Magdalene in St. Maximin-la-Sainte-Baume where saints, penitents, kings and popes have visited to be near the Magdalene. Tradition says that she lived here for 30 years, offering her life for the conversion of sinners.

More information: see packets in the narthex of the church or contact Bret Thoman, St. Francis Pilgrimages: 404-418-6683 • bret@stfrancispilgrimages.com • www.stfrancispilgrimages.com

DISCERNMENT EVENINGS

JAN-MAY 2019

Are you discerning the diocesan priesthood? Interested in finding out more? Feel free to contact the Office of Vocations at 503-233-8368 or vocations@archdpdx.org to find out when the next Discernment Evening will be.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Winter holidays are traditionally a time of reflection. Those who have lost children to abortion are reminded of the loss, the regrets, the if-onlys. Decide now that it is time for hope and healing. Why wait any longer to heal? Project Aurora is providing Rachel's Vineyard retreats February 15-17 in Portland and March 15-17 in Medford. The retreat is a safe and compassionate environment! Financial assistance is available. For more information, call 541-942-2861 or Email ProjectAurora@aol.com. www.rachelsvineyard.org

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

If you have been using offertory envelopes, the 2019 offertory envelopes are here and ready for pick up in the Church narthex with your name and address. If you would like to have or use offertory envelopes and do not have one yet, please call Sr. Anne-Therese or email the parish office at sainstephenpdx@gmail.com / 503-234-5019. Thank you.

HEADSETS AVAILABLE DURING MASS IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH